Michigan Deptartment of Treasury 496 (2-04) Auditing Procedures Report

Issued under P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended.	ort						
Local Government Type City Township Village Other	Local Government Name		County				
Audit Date Opinion Date Date Accountant Report Submitted to State:							
We have audited the financial statements of this accordance with the Statements of the Govern Financial Statements for Counties and Local Unit	nmental Accounting Standards Board ((GASB) and the	Uniform Repo				
We affirm that:							
We have complied with the Bulletin for the Au	udits of Local Units of Government in Mic	chigan as revised.					
2. We are certified public accountants registered	d to practice in Michigan.						
We further affirm the following. "Yes" responses h comments and recommendations	nave been disclosed in the financial state	ements, including t	he notes, or in	the report of			
You must check the applicable box for each item I	pelow.						
Yes No 1. Certain component units	/funds/agencies of the local unit are excl	uded from the fina	ıncial stateme	nts.			
Yes No 2. There are accumulated 275 of 1980).	deficits in one or more of this unit's un	reserved fund bala	ances/retained	d earnings (P.A.			
Yes No 3. There are instances of amended).	non-compliance with the Uniform Acco	ounting and Budge	eting Act (P.A	2 of 1968, as			
	ated the conditions of either an order er issued under the Emergency Municipa		Municipal Fin	nance Act or its			
<u> </u>	posits/investments which do not comply 01], or P.A. 55 of 1982, as amended [MC		quirements. (P	² .A. 20 of 1943,			
Yes No 6. The local unit has been of	delinquent in distributing tax revenues the	at were collected for	or another tax	ing unit.			
Yes No 7. pension benefits (norma	ted the Constitutional requirement (Artial costs) in the current year. If the plante normal cost requirement, no contribution	is more than 100%	% funded and	the overfunding			
Yes No 8. The local unit uses cree (MCL 129.241).							
Yes No 9. The local unit has not ad	lopted an investment policy as required b	by P.A. 196 of 199	7 (MCL 129.95	5).			
We have enclosed the following:		Enclosed	To Be Forwarded	Not Required			
The letter of comments and recommendations.							
Reports on individual federal financial assistance programs (program audits).							
Single Audit Reports (ASLGU).							
Certified Public Accountant (Firm Name)							
Street Address	City	Stat	te ZIP Code	,			
Accountant Signature Signature Signature Crondoll P.C.	,	Date	e				

Kalamazoo Conservation District Kalamazoo County, Michigan FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As the management of the Kalamazoo Conservation District (the District), we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Kalamazoo Conservation District for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2005.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of the District exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$4,218 (net assets). Of this amount, \$1,958 (unrestricted net assets) may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations.
- The District's total net assets decreased by \$15,142 during the year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the General Fund was \$1,958, or 1
 percent of total general fund expenditures.

Overview of the financial statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. To simplify financial reporting and improve readability, the government-wide financial statements and fund financial statements have been combined to report the statement of net assets and general fund balance on a single page and the statement of activities and general fund revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance on a single page.

Government-wide financial statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the District's financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the District's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

Fund financial statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Notes to the financial statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 6 through 8 of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets exceeded liabilities by \$4,218 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

District's Net Asse	ts			
		2005		2004
Current assets	\$	24,538	\$	22,939
Inventory		-		141
Capital assets (net)		2,260	_	2,635
Total assets		26,798		25,715
Liabilities		22,580		6,355
Net assets:				
Investment in capital assets		2,260		2,635
Unrestricted	_	1,958		16,725
Total net assets	\$	4,218	\$	19,360

The District's net assets decreased by \$15,142 during the fiscal year due to additional costs associated with grant administration and monitoring. Management will continue to seek ways to get funding through grants for projects and staff.

District's Condensed Statement of Net Assets

Revenues:	2005	2004
State grants	\$ 106,077	\$ 105,785
Charges for services	42,638	43,663
Interest	97	70
Other	1,229	7,416
Total revenues	150,041	156,934
Expenses - public works	165,183	162,380
Decrease in net assets	\$ (15,142)	\$ (5,446)

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, the District used fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with financerelated legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of the District's *governmental funds* is to provide information on nearterm inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, *unreserved fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a District's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's sole governmental fund reported an ending fund balance of \$4,596, a *decrease* of \$12,129 in comparison with the prior year. All of the fund balance is unreserved and represents approximately 3 percent of total General Fund expenditures.

Capital assets. The District's investment in capital assets as of September 30, 2005, amounts to \$2,260 (net of accumulated depreciation). There were no significant additions or deletions during the year.

Economic condition and outlook

The overall decrease in nets assets was a result of additional cost associated with grant administration and monitoring. There is some anxiety regarding potential budget shortfalls due elimination of state revenue sharing at the local level. Management will continue to encourage the wise management of natural resources by providing conservation programs, technical, and financial assistance, and conservation education.

Contacting the District's financial management

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors Kalamazoo Conservation District

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Kalamazoo Conservation District as of and for the year ended September 30, 2005, as listed in the contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these basic financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall basic financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the respective financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Kalamazoo Conservation District as of September 30, 2005, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on, pages i through iii and 9, respectively, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquires of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The required supplemental information listed in the table of contents is presented for the additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Kalamazoo Conservation District, but is supplementary information required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such information has been subjected to the procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



Board of Directors Kalamazoo Conservation District Page 2

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 20, 2005, on our consideration of the Kalamazoo Conservation District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to proved an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Sigfried Chandall P.C.

December 20, 2005

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Kalamazoo Conservation District GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET/STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

September 30, 2005

ASSETS	Modified accrual basis		Adjustments			ement of assets
ASSETS	ው	0 707	\$		φ	0.707
Cash Accounts receivable	\$	8,727 15,811	Ф	-	\$	8,727 15,811
Fixed assets (net)				2,260		2,260
Total assets	\$	24,538		2,260		26,798
LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable	\$	5,815		_		5,815
Accrued liabilities	•	14,127		_		14,127
Long term liabilities - compensated absences		<u>-</u>		2,638		2,638
Total liabilities		19,942		2,638		22,580
FUND BALANCE						
Unreserved, undesignated		4,596		(4,596)	<u></u>	
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	24,538				
NET ASSETS						
Investment in capital assets				2,260		2,260
Unrestricted				1,958		1,958
Total net assets			\$	4,218	\$	4,218

Kalamazoo Conservation District STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE/ STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	Modified accrual basis	_Adjustments	tement of
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES Public works	\$ 162,170	\$ 3,013	\$ 165,183
PROGRAM REVENUES State grants Charges for services Interest	106,077 42,638 97	- -	106,077 42,638 97
Other Total program revenues	1,229 150,041	<u>-</u>	 1,229 150,041
NET CHANGE	(12,129)	(3,013)	(15,142)
FUND BALANCE/NET ASSETS - BEGINNING	16,725	2,635	 19,360
FUND BALANCE/NET ASSETS - ENDING	\$ 4,596	\$ (378)	\$ 4,218
Net change in fund balance			\$ (12,129)
Amounts reported in the statement of activity ar	e different because	e:	
Decreases: Compensated absences not recorded in fun Provision for depreciation	d		 (2,638) (375)
Change in net assets			\$ (15,142)

Kalamazoo Conservation District NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The Kalamazoo Conservation District (the District) was organized in 1947 for the purpose of "providing local guidance and involvement in the promotion of soil conservation in Kalamazoo County, Michigan." The District is a local unit of state government, which operates under the direction of a board of directors. The Board oversees the development and implementation of soil and water conservation activity in Kalamazoo County, Michigan.

The accounting policies of the District conform to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (hereinafter referred to as generally accepted accounting principles) as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

a) Reporting entity:

In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, these financial statements present the District. The criteria established by the GASB for determining the reporting entity include oversight responsibility, fiscal dependency, and whether the financial statements would be misleading if data were not included. The District has determined that no other outside agency meets the above criteria and, therefore, no other agency has been included as a blended or discretely-presented component unit in the District's financial statements. Also, the District is not a component unit of any other entity.

b) Basis of accounting:

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities are reported using the economic resources, measurement focus, and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses when a liability is incurred, regardless of timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all the eligibility requirements imposed by provider have been met.

The modified accrual financial statements are reported using current financial resources, measurement focus, and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available if collected in the current period or within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year end. Expenditures are generally recognized when the related liability is incurred.

c) Assets and liabilities:

- i) Cash Cash is considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.
- ii) Receivables All receivables are considered to be fully collectible as presented.
- *iii)* Capital assets Capital assets, which include property, equipment, and vehicles, are defined by the District as assets with an initial cost of more than \$500 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Equipment 5 - 10 years

Kalamazoo Conservation District NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

c) Assets and liabilities (continued):

iv) Compensated absences - It is the District's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused sick benefits. There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave since the District does not have a policy to pay any amount when employees separate from service.

Vacation leave is accrued as the benefits are earned by the employees, as the leave is attributable to past service and it is probable that the District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means, such as cash payments at termination of employment. Vacation leave is accrued as a liability based on the vacation leave accumulated at the balance sheet date by those employees who currently are eligible to receive termination benefits, as well as other employees who are expected to receive such payments in the future. Such accumulations are reduced to the maximum amount allowed as a termination payment, based on certain limitations.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY:

Budgetary information - An annual budget is adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund. The budget document presents information by fund, function, and department. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body is the functional level. Amounts encumbered for purchase orders, contracts, etc., are tracked during the year. Budget appropriations are considered to be spent once the goods are delivered or the services rendered.

NOTE 3 - CASH:

A reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents to the District's deposits and cash on hand, as shown in the balance sheet, is as follows:

Financial statements - cash	\$ 8,727
Notes to financial statements: Deposits with financial institutions Cash on hand	\$ 8,573
	\$ 8,727

Deposits with financial institutions:

Deposits are carried at cost and are maintained at various financial institutions in the name of the District. Michigan Compiled Laws, Section 129.91, authorizes the District to deposit and invest in the accounts of federally-insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations. The District's deposits are in accordance with statutory authority. At September 30, 2005, the District has deposits with a carrying amount of \$8,573 and a bank balance of \$8,958, all of which is covered by federal depository insurance.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of failure of the bank, the District will not be able to recover the value of its deposits. The District was not exposed to custodial credit risk as all deposits are covered by federal depository insurance.

Kalamazoo Conservation District NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES:

Receivables as of year end for the District consist of earned grant revenue associated with program costs incurred by District through September 30, 2005.

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS:

Capital asset activity of the District for the current year was as follows:

	-	inning lance	Incre	ases_	Decrea	ses	nding alance
Capital assets being depreciated - equipment	\$	3,754	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 3,754
Less accumulated depreciation		1,119	-	375			 1,494
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>\$</u>	2,635	\$	(375)	\$	-	\$ 2,260

NOTE 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT:

The District is exposed to various risks of loss to general liability, property and casualty, and workers' compensation, with such risks being managed through the purchase of commercial insurance.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Kalamazoo Conservation District BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - General Fund

	riginal oudget		nended udget	 Actual	fav	riance rorable avorable)
REVENUES		_				
State grants	\$ 36,500	\$	36,500	\$ 106,077	\$	69,577
Charges for services	43,300		43,300	42,638		(662)
Interest	50		50	97		47
Other	 500		500	 1,229		729
Total revenues	80,350		80,350	150,041		69,691
EXPENDITURES Public works	 80,333		80,333	 162,170		(81,837)
NET CHANGE	17		17	(12,129)		(12,146)
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	 16,725		16,725	16,725		
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 16,742	\$	16,742	\$ 4,596	\$	(12,146)

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Kalamazoo Conservation District SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM

DEVENUE	Distric Operatir		Groundwater Stewardship
REVENUES State grants	\$ 19,2	200 \$ 2,69	92 \$ 30,500
Charges for services:			
Reforestation			-
Plat books	2.5	547 -	_
Education and conservation		205 -	1,820
Administration		260 -	<i>.</i> -
Other		259	
Total charges for services	5,2	271	1,820
Interest		97	
Other	3	303	<u> </u>
Total revenues	24,8	371 2,69	2 32,320
EXPENDITURES			
Public works:			
Salary and wages	50,5	551 -	17,832
Payroll taxes	3,8	374 -	1,314
Fringe benefits	4	- 148	212
Contractual services		300 -	4,189
Cost of trees and merchandise sold	2,8		-
Reforestation supplies		245 -	
Farmland preservation		353 -	2,500
Office supplies and equipment	t		3 158
Advertising and marketing Training and conferences	9	23 - 328 -	247 894
Transportation and mileage			9 779
Dues and fees		365 -	95
Repairs and maintenance		22 -	-
Meetings	4	103 -	-
Printing and postage		79 -	-
Miscellaneous	6	885 -	900
Other program costs	5	599	74
Total public works	62,7	<u>758</u> 5	2 29,194
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES			
OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ (37,8	887) \$ 2,64	0 \$ 3,126

Reforestation	Fort Custer MOU	<u>Totals</u>
\$ -	\$ 53,685	\$ 106,077
28,874	-	28,874
50	-	2,597
-	-	3,025
-	5,733	6,993
890		1,149
29,814	5,733	42,638
	-	97
109	817	1,229
29,923	60,235	150,041
1,040 80 1 - 12,977 2,270 - 405 1,226 - 106 - - - 297	48,189 3,686 325 - - - - (436) - - - -	117,612 8,954 986 4,489 15,868 2,515 2,853 1,111 1,496 786 1,481 960 22 403 376 1,585 673
18,402	51,764	162,170
<u>\$ 11,521</u>	\$ 8,471	\$ (12,129)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL 269-381-4970 OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: 269-349-1344 PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors
Kalamazoo Conservation District

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of Kalamazoo Conservation District (the District), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated December 20, 2005. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, others within the organization, the District Board, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Siegfried Crandoll P.C.

December 20, 2005